



Docket No. 258.0004/0101

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Stefan SANNER) Group Art Unit: 1743
Serial No.: 09/446,323) Examiner: Patricia Bex
Confirm No.: 2155)
Filed: 20 March 2000)
For: DEVICE FOR TAKING AND EXAMINING SAMPLES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
ATTN: BOX RCE
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a THREE-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 17 JULY 2002, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 17 OCTOBER 2002 to 17 JANUARY 2003.

Please charge DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4895 in the amount of \$465 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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